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1. FOLLOWING IS SUMMARY MORNING AND AFTERNOON PLENARY SESSION MARCH 27. STRONG( UN ENVIRONMENT PROGRAM) MADE ARGUMENT THERE MUST BE NO CONFLICT BETWEEN ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT. DEVELOPMENT CREATED ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS AND CONTAINS THE ONLY HOPE FOR SOLVING THEM. HE SAID UNEP WOULD MAKE MAXIMUM USE OF EXISTING ORGANIZATIONS IN ASSISTING COUNTRIES TO IDENTIFY PRIORITIES AND DEAL WITH CONSEQUENCES OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. THIS CONNECTION, HE ANNOUNCED A) A JOINT SECRETARIAT WITH ECLA; B) APPOINTMENT OF ALFONSO SANTA CRUZ AS SPECIAL REP OF UNEP FOR LA; AND C) A PROJECTED INTERAMERICAN REGIONAL CONFERENCE OF ORGANIZATIONS CONCERNED WITH ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION.

2. CHILE ( MINISTER MARTNER) SPOKE FOR MORE THAN HOUR, MOST OF IT TO RECITE DEPLORABLE CONDITIONS BEFORE PRESENT GOVT TOOK POWER AND ITS CLAIMED ACCOMPLISHMENTS IN AREAS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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NATIONALIZATION, REDISTRIBUTION OF INCOME AND EMPLOYMENT. HE ASSOCIATED HIMSELF WITH SANTA CRUZ' EARLIER SUGGESTION THAT ECLA BE REORGANIZED TO EXCLUDE NON- LA' S. HE EXPRESSED GRATITUDE FOR CUBAN DELEGATE' S EARLIER APPROVING REMARKS TOWARD CHILE AND PRAISED AID OF SOCIALIST COUNTRIES FOR CHILE. HE ACKNOWLEDGED AS CURRENT PROBLEMS THE DIVISION OF POWER WITHIN CHILE AND THE RATE OF INFLATION.

3. HE DENOUNCED EXTERNAL EMBARGO OF KENNECOTT AND THE MECHANISMS OF MULTINATIONAL CORPORATIONS LIKE ITT FOR TRYING TO ENGINEER A COUP D' ETAT. HE TERMED US ANNOUNCEMENT OF COPPER STOCKPILE SALES AS NEW AGGRESSION AGAINST THE ECONOMY OF CHILE AND HE PROPOSED A COMMON LA FRONT AGAINST IT. HE ACCUSED REACTIONARIES OF PROPOUNDING IDEA THROUGHOUT WORLD THAT CHILEAN SOCIALISM IS REGIME OF SHORTAGES AND MISERIES. HE CLAIMED PARTICULAR CREDIT FOR CHILE FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT AND WANTED ECLA TO EMPHASIZE THIS AREA.

4. COSTA RICA ( SANCHEZ MIN ECON) IN ROUTINE PRESENTATION ON BEHALF CENTRAL AMERICAN MEMBERS STRESSED NEED FOR CONCENTRATED ACTION IN INTERNATIONAL FORUMS, INCLUDING UPCOMING TALKS ON RESTRUCTURING OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.

5. SPAIN ( SALIS, DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION) OFFERED CRITIQUE OF DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES BASED ON IMPACT SUBSTITUTION AND ACKNOWLEDGED NEED FOR LA' S TO MOVE INTO INTEGRATION PHASE. HOLDING OUT " RELATIONS WITHOUT RISK" TO LA ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTRY WITH MORE AFFINITY WITH LA THAN ANY OTHER DC HAS, HE ANNOUNCED A CONFERENCE FOR LA MINISTERS OF ECONOMY TO BE HELD IN SPAIN IN MAY.

6. SIECA OBSERVER IN SPEECH LACKING SPECIFICITY PRESENTED SYNTHESIS OF HIS AGENCY' S RE- EVALUATION OF CENTRAL AMERICAN INTEGRATION. NOTED NEED FOR REALISTIC RE- EVALUATION AND REVISION OF INSTITUTIONS WHILE PRESERVING BENEFITS OF ECONOMIC UNION.

7. TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ( BARROW, MINPLANDDEV) GAVE BRIEF EXHORTATION ON DEVELOPMENT GOALS, CALLED UPON ECLA TO LOOK AT MARITIME AND LAND TRANSPORTATION PROBLEM AND GAVE T- T' S INVITATION TO HOST ECLA MEETING IN TRINIDAD IN 1975.

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HE NOTED THAT ECLA HAS NEVER MET IN ONE OF ITS ENGLISH-

SPEAKING MEMBER COUNTRIES.

8. BRAZIL ( OZORIO DE ALMEIDA) MADE LENGTHY STATEMENT CRITICAL OF APPRAISALS PREPARED BY ECLA STAFF AND RESPONDING TO CRITICISM OF THE BRAZILIAN DEVELOPMENT MODEL AT ECLA MEETING ( BY CUBA). PRINCIPAL CRITICISM OF UN AND ECLA STRATEGIES WAS INSUFFICIENT EMPHASIS ON GROWTH AS KEY ELEMENT IN DEVELOPMENT. SUGGESTED THAT MINIMUM GROWTH TARGETS FOR LA SHOULD BE RAISED. CRITICIZED STAFF STUDIES FOR BEING BASED ON RECENT STATISTICS THAT ARE STILL PROVISIONAL. WANTED ECLA TO MAKE MORE FUNDAMENTAL ANALYSES OF OBSTACLES IN DEVELOPMENT. IN PARTICULAR, HE WANTED STUDIES ON WHY INDUSTRIALIZATION IS IN FACT AGGRAVATING SOCIAL AND REGIONAL DISPARITIES WITHIN LA COUNTRIES. HE DWELT ON BRAZILIAN THEMES RE MARKET CREATION AND POPULATION GROWTH. DEPRECATED INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO REDUCE LDC POPULATIONS TO ACCORD WITH THE SIZE OF THEIR PRESENT MARKETS AND HE EXPRESSED CONFIDENCE THAT POPULATION GROWTH WILL IN ANY EVENT STABILIZE AS RESULT OF NATURAL LIMITS TO WHAT DEATH CONTROL CAN ACCOMPLISH.

9. HE RESERVED HIS STRONGEST COMMENTS FOR THOSE WHO DEPRECATE GROWTH AS AGAINST DEVELOPMENT, THE LATTER BEING SOME KIND OF QUALITATIVE ACHIEVEMENT FOR WHICH GROWTH IS AT BEST INCIDENTAL. HE EMPHASIZED OBVIOUS NEED FOR THE RESOURCES PRODUCED BY GROWTH IF OTHER GOALS ARE TO BE ACHIEVED. HE SAW A DANGEROUS " SOCIAL NARCOTIC" IN THE SPREAD OF THE NOTION THAT GROWTH IS IN CONFLICT WITH QUALITY OF LIFE. HE DEFENDED BRAZILIAN MODEL AGAINST ITS " UNIFORMED" CRITICS; CLAIMED THAT NO OTHER GOVT HAS DONE MORE ABOUT SOCIAL AND REGIONAL DISPARITIES.

10. HE HIGHLIGHTED EXTERNAL SECTOR AND TRADE AS AREAS WHERE LA PERFORMANCE IS DISTRESSING, AND IN WHICH LA' S MAY BE BECOMING MORE UNDERDEVELOPED. URGED LA' S TO LOOK BEYOND WORLD MONETARY TALKS TO CHALLENGES IN TRADE SPHERE-- TRADE IN PRIMARY PRODUCTS, RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES, TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AND INSURANCE.  
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